UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA SAN JOSE DIVISION

SCOTT JOHNSON,

Plaintiff,

v.

WILLIAM JOSEPH SHEPHARD, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No.18-cv-03937-VKD

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY ACTION SHOULD NOT BE DISMISSED

Plaintiff Scott Johnson filed the present action on July 1, 2018. Dkt. No. 1. Pursuant to General Order No. 56, the parties' last day to conduct a joint site inspection was October 15, 2018, and Mr. Johnson's last day to file a notice of need for mediation was November 26, 2018. Dkt. No. 5. Mr. Johnson did not file a notice of need for mediation.

The Court possesses the inherent power to dismiss an action sua sponte "to achieve the orderly and expeditious disposition of cases." *Link v. Wabash R.R. Co.*, 370 U.S. 626, 629–33 (1962). Mr. Johnson is directed to file a written response to this order by **December 4, 2018** and to appear before the Court on **December 11, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.** in Courtroom 2, Fifth Floor, 280 South First Street, San Jose, California 95113 and show cause why this action should not be dismissed without prejudice for failure to prosecute.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 27, 2018

VIRGINIA K. DEMARCHI United States Magistrate Judge